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Dear Venice Park neighbors and residents,

On Thursday, July 29, the Small Administration held a press conference to announce an emergency declaration for the second Venice Park bridge, which goes over the Venice Lagoon, due to an imminent threat to public safety. With your safety in mind, the City has implemented a weight limit of 3 tons, or 6,000 pounds, for the second bridge.

What does this mean?

- Beginning July 30, no vehicle, truck, or bus over 6,000 pounds can cross the second bridge. The Engineering and Public Works Departments are working with local service providers to determine alternate solutions for vehicles beyond the weight restriction. We'll share additional information as it becomes available.
- With the emergency declaration in place, my Administration can expedite contractual agreements to begin the emergency repair work needed to resume full operation of the bridge.
- You'll begin to see signage posted at second bridge to remind you of the new weight restriction.

Additionally, the replacement project for the first Venice Park bridge, which goes over the Penrose Canal, continues to progress. We, unfortunately, had to postpone our community update meeting due to inclement weather on July 29. Please join me and members of my administration on Thursday, August 5, for updates on the status of this project and impacts it will have on the Venice Park community. Meeting details are included below:

- Date: Thursday, August 5

- Time: 6 p.m.

- Location: All Wars Memorial Building (1510 Adriatic Avenue)

If you have any questions regarding this project, please contact the Atlantic City Engineers Office at 609-347-5360.

Yours in ser/ice to the community,

Marty Small Sr.

Mayor

City of Atlantic City



Venice Park Bridge (Penrose Canal) Replacement Detour Information

About the Project

The first Venice Park bridge, which spans the Penrose Canal, will be replaced in its entirety. Ohio Avenue will be closed for the duration of the construction from East Riverside Drive to Horace Bryant Jr. Drive. The project is anticipated to begin construction on August 23, and last approximately six (6) months.

Detour (see attached traffic control plans)

- Generally, the detour route traveling east on Ohio Avenue will direct motorists to the eastbound service road to Route 30 eastbound and to Huron Avenue.
- Traveling west on Ohio Avenue, the detour route will generally direct motorists to MLK/ Route 30 Intersection to Route 30 to the westbound service road adjacent to Route 30 westbound and to Gramercy Avenue.

This information is also available in an electronic PDF at acnj.gov/community.



